

REMARKS

Responsive to the lack of unity determination imposed in the Official Action mailed on January 29, 2007, applicants hereby provisionally elect Group I, claims 20-25, with traverse.

The grounds for traverse are that the technical feature common to inventions I-VIII is an immunoreagent which goes into making up a calibration system applied to the assaying of multiple analytes in the same biological sample. The method for preparing this immunoreagent utilizes five steps and among them various categories of particles are actually used, wherein each category of particles is sensitized by association with a given amount of a ligand specific for one of the analytes to be assayed.

In view of the above, applicants respectfully submit the manner in which the lack of unity determination has been imposed does not accurately reflect the invention, or that SCHWARTZ et al. satisfies the requirements of PCT Rule 13.2.

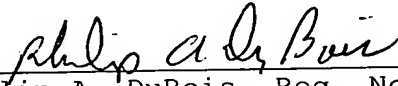
Thus, in view of the above, applicants respectfully request a search and examination of all the pending claims in their full scope.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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